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SUBJECT: ACTING PRESIDENT GRANTS RELIEF TO ALL PRISONERS

1. ACTING PRESIDENT SPYROS KYPRIANOU ORDERED AUG 18 A REMISSION
OF ONE-SIXTH OF THE SENTENCES OF ALL PRISONERS. THE PRESS
REPORTED THAT SOME 125 PRISONERS WILL BENEFIT AND THAT 18
PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY BEEN RELEASED. THE GOC ANNOUNCEMENT
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STATED THAT "THE ACTING PRESIDENT EXERCISES HIS PREROGATIVE
FOR MERCY ON THE OCCASION OF THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT MAKARIOS."

2. COMMENT: (A) PRESIDENTIAL PARDONS AND AMNESTIES
ARE FAIRLY COMMON IN CYPRUS AND AFFECT BOTH POLITICAL
AND CRIMINAL PRISONERS. THIS ONE-SIXTH REMISSION RESULTED
IN RELEASE OF LOIZOS SAVVA, WHO HAD SERVED OVER SIX

MONTHS OF HIS EIGHT-MONTH SENTENCE FOR HIS PARTICIPATION
IN THE RIOTING WHICH RESULTED IN THE MURDER OF AMBASSADOR
DAVIES. IOANNIS KTIMATIAS AND NEOPTOLEMOS LEFTIS,
SENTENCED TO 7 AND 5 YEARS RESPECTIVELY FOR THEIR ROLES
IN THE DAVIES SLAYING, PRESUMABLY WILL HAVE SENTENCES
REDUCED BY 14 MONTHS AND 10 MONTHS RESPECTIVELY.
(B) COUP LEADER NICOS SAMPSON, SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS,
PRESUMABLY WILL HAVE SENTENCE REDUCED BY 40 MONTHS. HOWEVER,
SAMPSON IS REPORTED BY PRESS TO BE DISPLEASED BECAUSE HE HAD
ANTICIPATED A FULL AMNESTY FROM MAKARIOS.
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